

The Mountains And The Forests

(The Three Covenants*)

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1. The moun-tains and the for - ests, The fields and spar - kling seas, The
 2. God loves Earth's sons and daugh - ters With love that nev - er ends: Through
 3. In A - o - te - a - ro - a, The Trea - ty binds us all To
 4. O may this three-fold pledg - ing Be - come the com - mon stand Of

sap that throbs a - round us In joy - ful u - ni - ty, Are
 Ma - ry and through Jo - seph, Through Je - sus and his friends, Through
 share land and re - sourc - es As in Wai - tang - i's call; To
 Pa - ke - ha and Māo - ri And all with - in this land, That

gifts from God the art - ist, The dreams God brings to birth And
 pro - phets, priests and art - ists God gives a bind - ing word, The
 fos - ter Māo - ri lan - guage With - in our is - land shores And
 bound to moth - er Na - ture And bound in love to Christ, Wai -

nam - ing God "Cre - a - tor" De - mands we rev - 'rence Earth.
 of - fer of for - give - ness That makes us one with God.
 hon - our Māo - ri tang - a Be - low our cross of stars.
 tang - i may be hon - oured De - spite our na - tion's past.

- *1. The covenant with nature
- 2. The covenant of grace
- 3. The covenant of the Treaty of Waitangi